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MCGILL VS. SHAMROCKS TO-NIGHT

SECOND GAME CLASS SERIES WAS EXCITING

Sophomore - Freshman Game
Strongly Contested

SCORE 5-4 FOR FRESHMEN

Juniors Win by Default--Second
Game a Fast One Through-
out

Last night two hockey games were played off on the Campus Rink. The period from seven to eight was for the Science Junior-Senior game, and from eight to nine the Freshman-Sophomore game.

Owing to the fact that only three seniors turned out the two captains picked teams and made the best of the period. Although the game was by no means exciting or fast, there was some very good playing, especially by Anderson. The goal-keepers, Schapter and Brennan, worked well and each stopped a large number of hot ones.

Although the Juniors were considered to have won the game the players had an hour of good sport, which was eagerly watched by those who were waiting for the game which was to follow.

The Freshmen and Sophomores then took the ice and after a short practice of fifteen minutes the game commenced. Owing to the fact that neither team had brought along a referee, Gildon acted as referee for the first period and Mackenzie for the second. The line-up of the two teams was as follows:

Freshmen.	Sophomores.
H. Leitch . . . Goal.	Jordan
M. Eager . . . Defence.	H. Hamilton
C. MacNeider . . . Defence.	G. Fortin
J. Quinlan . . . Forwards.	D. Stroud
A. Falkner . . . Forwards.	A. Glen
G. Massen . . . Forwards.	W. Benson

Spare: Freshmen, E. Johnson, Y. A. Turley; Sophomores, C. Gildon, Mackenzie.

The game started very fast and continued at the same pace throughout. The Sophomores secured the puck at the beginning but failed to follow up their advantage. After some sharp work Fortin shot from in front of the Freshmen's goal and made one tally for the Sophs.

After the face-off play continued at the same pace and for a time the puck stayed very close to the Freshmen's goal, due to the speed and good stick-handling of Stroud and Glen. Several very good rushes were made by

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SECOND SKATING-PARTY OF SEASON TO-MORROW

Good Time Arranged by Y. M. C.
A. and Y. W. C. A.

The announcement that a second Skating-Party would be held under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A., to-morrow night, will be received with no little pleasure on the part of all those who have in the past had experience of these affairs. The committee in charge has stated that no effort will be spared to make the party the most successful one yet, and, the weather conditions, which are ideal, augur well for this.

The hour set for the meeting of the skaters at the Hall is eight o'clock, and it is expected that about an hour will be taken for the programmes to be filled. After this, those present will move to the Campus Rink and the usual music in the form of a hand organ will be there to accompany them as they skate ten "bands." It is rumoured that there will be a change in the person of the musician, but nothing certain has been ascertained with respect to this matter.

When they return to Strathcona Hall, the skaters will be met with refreshments, served by the industrious members of the Social Committee, and consisting of ham-sandwiches, cake and coffee.

Miss Hurlbutt, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. McGarry have kindly consented to act as hostesses.

WHAT'S ON

To-day.

5.00 p.m.—Meeting of Junior Dance Committee.
7.00 p.m.—Basketball Practice at Central Y.M.C.A.
7.00-8.00 p.m.—1st and 2nd Year Arts Class Hockey

Coming.

Feb. 14, 5.00 p.m.—Chemical Society Meeting.
Feb. 14, 8.00-9.00 p.m.—3rd and 4th Year Med. Class Hockey.
Feb. 14—Y.M.C.A. - Y.W.C.A. Skating Party at Campus Rink.
Feb. 21—Medical Dinner at Ritz-Carlton Hotel.
Feb. 28 — Union House Committee Formal Dance.

NEXT ALUMNAE LECTURE ARRANGED FEB. 24th

The Fun and Philosophy of Hans
Anderson's Fairy Tales.

On February 24th, Miss Marie Shedlock, of Boston, will give a lecture in the Assembly Hall of the Royal Victoria College. The subject of this lecture is to be "The Fun and Philosophy of Hans Christian Anderson's Fairy Tales"—a subject that lends itself to the very charming portrayal which the name of Miss Shedlock always assures an audience.

Miss Marie Shedlock lately lectured before the Harvard students, under the auspices of one of the oldest clubs of the Department of English. She was the first woman to be invited to address this club. After the lecture, Professor Copeland, the honorary president of the club, wrote her as follows: "On Monday evening, two weeks ago, I offered the best I ever offered in the way of a Monday evening. Your narratives were capital, and, if you will allow me to say so, your narration—so simple, so vivid, so arresting—was still better."

Miss Shedlock has given lectures of this description—talks and tales—before many audiences, including the Public Schools of England—Rugby, Harrow, Winchester—and before many universities in the United States.

Some of the press notices which appeared during her stay in Great Britain are printed below:

Manchester Guardian, Eng.—"When we consider what a lost or suspended art story-telling has become in these days of universal explanation, it is little wonder that Miss Shedlock's delicate and finished story recital met with such enthusiastic greeting. Her perfect enunciation and delicate dramatic gift have great charm, but not the least part of the enjoyment of the audience was the impulsive and evident delight she took in her stories. Dramatic joy she put foremost among the gifts which the story-teller brings to the child. She would have children fed at the well springs. To develop sensibility in humour, in mystery, and to lead towards the great poetry at the heart of literature are her educational hopes."

Miss Shedlock is expected to arrive in Montreal on February 19th, and will be a guest at the Royal Victoria College. During her visit she will give a series of talks to teachers under the auspices of the Story Tellers' League, and she is also to give a story telling hour to the school children of Westmount by arrangement with the authorities of the Westmount Free Library, which has a special children's library and specially trained children's librarians.

The proceeds of the lecture to be given under the auspices of the Alumnae Society, and which she says is to be "almost all pure fun," are to be given to the Libraries for Returned Soldiers. The admission to the lecture will be twenty-five cents.

ANNUAL BOARD MEETING.

A meeting of the 1920 Annual Board will be held this evening, at 7.30 o'clock, in the Faculty Room of the Royal Victoria College.

It is important that all the members of the Board should be present.

MCGILL TEAM CLASHES WITH GREEN-SHIRTS

Game To-night Will Be Important One

RED AND WHITE MUST WIN

Large Attendance of "Rooters"
Hoped For at City League
Match

The game which will be played to-night by the senior hockey team against the Shamrocks will, without doubt, have a direct bearing upon the decision of the championship of the City League for this year. This may be said in the face of the fact that a little while ago it seemed certain that there was not the slightest chance of McGill's figuring in the championship series; recent developments have changed the face of matters to a considerable extent, and there is now an added incentive to the students to turn out and "root" for the team.

Shamrocks, to-night's opponents, are a much strengthened line-up over that which confronted McGill a few weeks ago, on the occasion of the first meeting of the teams. In that contest, which was played over heavy ice, the college men came out easy victors to the tune of five to one, and left little doubt in the minds of the spectators as to their superiority over their adversaries. Since then, the Irishmen have improved wonderfully, and some additions in the shape of returned men have proved of the greatest assistance. As a team, they have always been famed for their hard and accurate shooting, and it is expected that the sterling defence that wears the colors of the Red and White will be forced to work their hardest. In Boiselle the Shamrocks have a promising young forward with plenty of speed, while Davidson, on the defence, is likewise a valuable player.

The game between Loyola and Shamrocks it will be remembered gave many "fans" a surprise when the supposedly "dead" Green Shirts battled right through the three periods and lost out finally by the close score of five to four. Vickers, too, had no easy task in defeating the Shamrocks, who have been improving steadily since the opening of the season.

On the other hand Old McGill is out to win with a vengeance, for a victory is needed just now above all things. The team was never in better condition, and in addition to the regular stellar line-up has the ser-

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MCGILL SWIMMERS TO ARRANGE MEET

Swimming and Diving Contests
and Inter-Faculty Polo
Games Planned

At a meeting of the McGill Swimming Club, held last night, it was arranged that a University Swimming Meet should be arranged in the near future. After some discussion, it was decided that the meet should consist of the usual features—two or three dashes, medium distance race, and possibly a long distance race. Diving contests were arranged also, consisting of long plunges and style diving. An inter-faculty relay race is being planned, and it is hoped that teams will be entered from all faculties. Races are being considered for the different strokes and other features if the required men turn out.

The Swimming Club also discussed the advisability of taking up inter-faculty polo, and it was decided to form a league. The representatives of Arts and Medicine stated that their faculties would be able to enter teams, and promised to bring the matter to the notice of the students of their respective faculties.

The secretary of the club, S. S. Pitt, is also in charge of the Science squad, and he will be glad to give information concerning the league to any student interested. He hopes to have definite information from the Arts and Medical teams soon, and it may be possible to get a team from Law and thus make the league include all faculties.



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1919.

WHICH CLASS ARE YOU IN?

In a letter which Charles Kingsley wrote "To the young men of Chester" occurs the following opening:

My Dear Young Men,—The human race may, for practical purposes, be divided into three parts:

1. Honest men, who mean to do right; and do it.
2. Knaves, who mean to do wrong; and do it.

3. Fools, who mean to do whichever of the two is pleasanter. And these last may be divided again into (a) black fools, who would rather do wrong but dare not; unless it is the fashion; (b) white fools, who would rather do right but dare not unless it is the fashion.

There is little doubt that this differentiation stands true to-day in McGill.

Concerning the first group there is little to be said, for the honest fellow may make mistakes but they will be mistakes in judgment rather than wilful assaults against the right.

Of the second group as little may be said as of the first. They will "go crooked" and often glory in the fact. It is well that they are in the great majority, for the average fellow, whatever faults he may have himself, stands for the right.

However, there is much to be said of the third group in this classification, which Kingsley subdivides, as above, into "black" fools and "white" fools.

The "black" fool would rather do wrong but dare not, and fear of the consequences of his acts will keep him straight unless fashion prove the stronger with him than fear.

But let it be noticed that the fellows who go wrong are mostly white fools. They start out, if not with good intentions, at least with no ill intent. They just begin to drift. The "white" fool is generally a good-natured fellow starting out with high hopes and promises of success, but he lacks grit. He is easy-going and soon gets into the company of fellows much like himself. Here this kind of fellow finds his difficulties, for the opinion of his set seems most important to him and he soon gets into the "swim." Drift is the peculiar peril of this class, just allowing the general opinion or fashion to act as the standard of conduct, and desiring to measure up to that standard instead of the man thinking for himself.

Many of our novelists have shown us the danger of drifting, a classic instance is that given by George Eliot. Romola is a fine type of man but instead of asserting himself, he allows circumstances to guide him and he becomes a failure. As with him, so with most of our failures—one word only is all that is necessary to be written as their epitaph—the word "drifted."

It is well for us to notice that this need not be said of any for every one may succeed if he will. You can, if you will, but it may mean a fight, but the uphill fight against tendency becomes second nature as you persevere.

Finally, there must be enthusiasm in your work or you may drift, for has not a writer said "no virtue is safe without enthusiasm."

SCIENCE '21 MAN DIES.

The members of Science '21 were shocked yesterday when it was announced that George Grout, of that year, had died on Tuesday night. For the past month he had been ill with influenza, and on Sunday his heart gave out after a relapse.

He was a prominent member of his class, and was very popular among his class-mates, always taking part in the class activities, and his friends feel his death keenly. They extend their sympathies to the family, who now are doubly bereaved, as a sister died about ten days ago.

COLUMBIA DEFEATED.

Yale University is now holding first place in the Intercollegiate Basketball non-championship race of 1919 as the result of winning its second straight game of the season, when the Elis defeated Columbia University on the Yale court by a score of 43 to 21.

It was nothing more than a good practice match for the winners, as they were superior to the Blue and White in every department of play. Taking a lead when DeForest Van Slyck '20 threw a goal from the floor after only 15s. of play, the Elis gradually drew away and the outcome was never in doubt. At the end of the first half, Yale was leading 23 to 11.

SECOND GAME CLASS SERIES WAS EXCITING

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Eager and MacNeider, which resulted in a tally for the First Year men by Stroud.

Mackenzie then replaced Hamilton, and Johnson, Massen. Several brilliant rushes were made by both sides and Eager made another score. After the face-off the play kept close towards the Sophomores' goal, in spite of several very good rushes by Fortin and Glen. Johnson secured the puck and after some very hard work made another tally for the Freshmen.

Hamilton replaced Benson after the face-off and along with Glen and Fortin secured a goal for the Sophs. The play for the next few minutes kept close to the Freshmen's goal, broken now and again by some smart rushes by Johnson and MacNeider, but Glen secured the puck, making a clean shot into the Freshmen's goal.

Quinlan used his stick and speed to good effect for the Freshmen, and towards the end made two scores for them. This brought the Freshmen two ahead but the Sophs rallied under Fortin and Glen, which resulted in a score by the latter. The game ended with the puck in the hands of the Sophomores, and although the score was 5-4, both teams deserved to win. The game was played in one period, and everything considered, was very fast, with much good play on the part of both sides, both individual and combination. The goalkeepers, Jordan and Leitch, stopped many hot shots, and although some of the scores were made by shots from the front and sides, most of them were secured during mix-ups in front of the goals.

WRESTLING AT WASHINGTON.

The athletic board of Washington University has adopted wrestling, track, tennis, and swimming as major branches of athletics, and will enter teams in these sports in the Missouri Valley Conference. The revival of track games and tennis, with wrestling, will tend to give Washington University a much better standing in the Conference in case teams of any ability are developed. In former years Washington's fall and winter activities have been mainly confined to football and basketball.

AUDITORIUM AS MEMORIAL.

As a memorial to the Providence soldiers and sailors who fell in the war, Providence proposes to erect an auditorium. Locations will be sought immediately and plans and estimates of the cost of a building such as is desired will be obtained. As soon as these matters are in shape the committee on contributions will go to the public for funds.

McGILL TEAM CLASHES WITH GREEN-SHIRTS

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vices of Cyril Flanagan, who will be remembered as runner-up for the goal-scoring honors three years ago, prior to his enlistment for overseas service. Flanagan is just rounding into form after his long absence from hockey and may be counted upon to give a good account of himself.

It would be a shame, indeed, were the students of McGill to lose all chances of a play-off for the leadership of the league by failing to turn out in sufficient numbers to-night to give their team the confidence which only proper support can provide. If every man is in his place at the rink, the players upon the ice and the "rooters" on the sidelines, there will be no talk of defeat and no dissatisfaction felt in any quarter.

The probable line-up will be as follows:—

Goal—Dooner.
Defence—Cully.
Defence—Heney.
Forward—Behan.
Forward—Gallery.
Forward—Dineen.
Subs.: Dawes, Flanagan, McGillis, Nichol, Lyall, Notman.

The other game of the evening, between Vickers and Loyola will be an exciting one, and like the first, will have important results in the league standing.

FIRST YEAR LAW HOLDS PRACTICE.

The students of the First Year Law held their first hockey practice yesterday evening at the Campus Rink. Not only did those who could wield a hockey stick turn out in good numbers, but there was a numerous representation of Law students as spectators.

There were ten men on the rink, and judging from the way in which they conducted themselves on the ice during the practice they should be able to render a good account of themselves in games against teams of other faculties. The management of the team is in the capable hands of "Bunny" Foster, who injected a copious amount of enthusiasm into the playing of the embryo advocates. I. Sabourin and L. De Martigny were, perhaps, the strongest players on the rink.

Should an Inter-Faculty league be formed, Law should render a good account of themselves. With John Gallery, McGillis and Dooner, of the McGill senior team, to form the nucleus of the Faculty team, the students of Law feel certain of putting up a formidable team.

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Retrenchment plans include also the elimination of evening lectures in the museum buildings and in public schools under the auspices of the museum and a 50 per cent. curtailment of lectures for school children in the museum. All of these measures are designed to cut down expenses for fuel, light and service, as the minimum appropriation of \$240,000 asked for by the museum, figured to cover regular expenses only without provision for further development, has been cut down to \$225,000 in the city budget.

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A SENSE OF HUMOUR

It came to me as an unexpected inspiration the other day that I would amuse myself discoursing on a sense of humour some evening while those of my class-mates who are haunted by the nightmare of examinations feverishly devoured condensed information. The full humour of the situation did not appear to be apparent to them, and I became still more convinced of the necessity of the composition. It seems to me to be a great pity that so many otherwise worthy undergraduates go through college without this valuable acquisition, so that I have devoted my quite remarkable talents towards classifying the various species of this desideratum. I was further embodied by the thought that, as it is a well-known fact no one will confess to the lack of a sense of humour, I should be fairly free from any accusation of personal insult.

It appears to me, then, that there are three distinct types of humour. The first might better be denominated "wit." It is of a sharp and cutting nature. The exponents of this type glory in seeking for subtle interpretations of your most innocent remarks, and fill you with the delightfully uncomfortable feeling that their apparently harmless words are really barbed, and that the full significance of this hidden meaning will become apparent to you only after you have left, and it is impossible for you to rejoin. This type of humour is distinctly intellectual in nature and leaves the victim upon whom it has been practised gasping under a newly-acquired knowledge of the wealth of homonyms possessed by the English language, and writhing helplessly under the feeling that somehow or other he has been made ridiculous, though how he does not know. The exponents of this type need not be of a joyful and care-free disposition, for this is a humour of the head and not the heart. It can be practised only by those of quick intelligence, but often is at its best when its disposers mood is far from happy, for a little savage sarcasm or biting cynicism intensifies its force.

The next classification we feel is more entitled to the name of humour. This type is also intellectual, but requires the assistance of a joyful mood for its success. The representatives of this species also play on the meaning of words, and delight in good-humoured repartee; but the sharpness and the sarcasm outlined above do not form a characteristic. Those in the first class frequently raise up enemies through their wit, these less often.

The last type we will denote as "mirth," and this is the form of humour which is the spontaneous outpouring of jollity. There need be no subtle and brilliant conversational ability for this classification. Its exponents laugh often and long, and those with them laugh too. Perhaps nothing very brilliant has been said, but somehow hilarity is in the air, and all hearts are filled with merriment. These last are universally popular. They are frequently worsted when they encounter any of the two previous types — one might say that they inevitably get defeated in the conflict, for they are too filled with placid amusement to worry over the quiddities of the discussion.

IMPORTANCE OF PICTURES IN THE HOME.

An important section on home development has been added to the home economics course of the Kansas State Agricultural College. It is a series of studies for young men and women on the part which pictures play in home making. "Pictures as well as individuals have a duty to perform in home life," said Miss Grace M. Palmer, instructor in home art. "All homes deserving the name should have pictures of some kind. They are silent companions. A good picture will sink deeply into the consciousness of a person whether or not he is aware of its influence."

PRAISE FROM UNITED STATES

Canada sometimes has a way of finding the solution of a problem while people suppose her to be still discussing ways and means. Just now the Dominion is turning her deserted aviation fields into farm instruction camps, each of which will accommodate a thousand men. The mess halls and living quarters are ready for use. The hangars are quickly transformed into stables for live stock. All repairs to farm machinery can be made in the shops. The grounds are large enough for crops in variety to be planted. All this makes practical training possible, but it has greater value in another way. It saves the

man who finds that he is not fitted for farming, or that farming is not attractive to him, from committing himself to an arrangement which he might always regret, and which would be of no help to the country. Trial farming, after the Canadian plan, has distinct advantages.—Christian Science Monitor.

NOVA SCOTIA COAL OUTPUT

With a view to increasing the output of the Nova Scotia mines, C. A. Magrath, the Federal Fuel Controller, proposes that joint production committees on which the Amalgamated Mine Workers of Nova Scotia would be represented, should be formed at every colliery, and it is probable that this plan will be adopted. Each committee would keep posted as to the production at its mine and would be expected to make recommendations as to how the output might be increased. Mr. Magrath has given assurance that the operating companies would be required by him to carry out every feasible proposal made by the committees.

WHAT YOU OWE

You can't afford — of course you cannot afford to miss it. You owe it to your battle-scarred self after these mid-year exams, to blow yourself, and blow yourself good and proper. Come out of your shell; get acquainted with some other part of the world besides the Alpha and Omega, and the memorable path you tread each day between the two. You know your habitat. Most of you at least recognize your class-rooms; if you are observing enough, you are acquainted with certain landmarks on the intervening way. Broaden out, loosen up, get your ticket for the Thirty-seventh Annual Medical Dinner—the date is Feb. 21st.

If Illyria is to be the name chosen by the Jugo-Slavs as that of their country, another of Shakespeare's states besides Bohemia will take its place in the European family of nations. The citizens of Illyria, of Shakespeare's Illyria, are very well known in literature. Everyone knows Viola and Malvolio, to say nothing of the famous Sir Toby Belch. Illyria was a Roman denomination, and the name was revived only in the first years of the Nineteenth Century, for the convenience of sweeping into one bag all those territories which became the appanage of the Austrian crown.

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ENGLISH WAR DEGREES

The problem of how young students are to "pick up the lost years of war," after having served with the colours, so that they shall not suffer for having obeyed the call of duty, is being solved by universities, colleges, professional institutions and the appointments branch of the Ministry of Labour, in different ways.

The University of London is allowing such students to pass a simple examination of a personal character instead of matriculation, while the interval between the intermediate examinations, and the prescribed courses of study will be shortened. "War degrees" will also be granted to students who joined the forces just before their final examination in a faculty other than medicine. These degrees will be placed on a special list with the word (War) after the short title M.A., B.A., or others.

Twelve British prisoners while in Ruhleben Camp in Germany passed the London University's matriculation examination, and others took intermediate examinations for degrees in science, engineering and economics.

The Law Institute is caring for its young legal students by having passed the "Solicitors' Articled Clerks' Act," whereby students who have been articled may count the period of war service as part time under articles.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants has already planned similar reduction of time for serving, while the Royal Institute of British Architects has decided to allow "war" students to forego their final examination provided they passed the intermediate one.

Orders have been introduced into the by-laws of the Institution of Civil Engineers which will allow students' war service to count as having fulfilled a similar time in study, apprenticeship or other practical engineering service.

The appointments branch of the Ministry of Labour has obtained grants from public funds toward the training expenses of demobilized officers and men who desire financial aid to prepare for a particular vocation.

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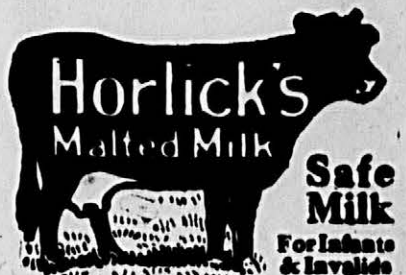
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busiest part of the roaring city, over-
shadowed by tall, hard-looking, mod-
ern banking buildings and all but a
thin strip hidden from view, is a veri-
table piece of old London, shortly,
Dame Rumour be correct, to be dem-
onstrated by the ever-clamorous de-
mands of a more lucrative calling
than that of supplying meals to
patrons.

This is the George & Vulture,
known throughout the world as the
tavern that Mr. Pickwick and his
friends made their favorite city head-
quarters. The address in the direct-
ory of this inn is St. Michael's Alley,
Cornhill; "The Pickwick Papers,"
however, describe it as being "in
George Yard, Lombard Street. Both
are correct. If the latter address is
followed, the inn is difficult to find,
for the sign "The Pickwickian Hostelry"
is so high up over the upper win-
dow in the far left-hand corner that
it is almost the last thing one sees.
One fares little better from the other
approach, for the narrow alley with
its tall buildings facing each other so
closely as to be almost touched with
outstretched arms, makes it necessary
to search for the entrance doorway.

These, however, are not drawbacks
to the lover of old London, for he
rather prefers to probe about for
things he likes, particularly when, as
in this case, the discovery is worth
the trouble; for once inside the
George & Vulture the pilgrim will be
thoroughly recompensed for the
trouble he has taken in finding it.
Here he will be struck by the atmos-
phere of old time which still pre-
vails, even though there are signs that
the modern has somewhat supplanted
the old. Not long since the dining-
room on the ground floor was well
saw dusted; and partitioned off in the
old coffee-room style, and some of
these high backed box-like compart-
ments still remain in corners of the
rooms. With the knowledge that this
ancient hostelry was called "Thomas's
Chop House"—and it still bears that
name ground on the glass doors—
one expects to discover a grill loaded
up with fizzing chops and steaks, and
there it will be found, presided over
by the white-garbed chef turning over
the red-hot morsels.

Opposite the door is the old-fash-
ioned bar, and the broad staircase
winding up by its side to another
dining-room above completely partit-
ioned off into compartments with
still another grill and a spotlessly
robed chef. Up another flight of stairs
we come to yet one more dining-room
recently decorated in the old style,
with oak-beamed ceiling and sur-
roundings to match; with lantern
lights suspended from the oak beams,
grandfather's clock, warming pan,
pewter plates and odd pieces of fur-
niture in keeping with the period it
all seeks to recall. This metamor-
phosis was carried out by a city busi-
ness gentleman for the accommoda-
tion of his staff at lunch, and his good
friendship toward them admirably re-
flects the Dickens spirit.

This being the room tradition has
decided was Mr. Pickwick's bed-room,
is suitably decorated with scenes of
Pickwickian and Dickensian pictures
and ornaments, all tending to remind
the visitor of the jolly homely period
of the past. There are no bed rooms
to-day, nor are there any comfortable
so-called sitting or coffee-rooms, for
all the available space is required for
satisfying the hungry city man.

Its history goes back some centu-
ries. Originally it was the London
lodging of Earl Ferrers, and in 1175
a brother of his was slain there in
the night. It was then called simply
"The George," and described by Stow,
the great historian of London, as "a
common hostelry for travellers."

Ultimately, the "Vulture," for rea-
sons undiscovered by the present writ-
er, was added to the sign, and the ap-
ellation "The George & Vulture" has
come through the history of Lon-
don unaltered, gathering with the
flight of time many famous associa-
tions to keep the memory green in
each succeeding period, until Mr.
Pickwick put the coping stone to its
name as one of London's imperishable
berthings.

Poets and literary men of all de-
grees frequented it from the earliest
times, and although there is no record
available to substantiate a claim that
the great Chaucer used the house, it
seems probable that his father, who
was himself a licensed victualler in
the district, knew it well. But John
Ruskin, the celebrated poet of the 19th
century, undoubtedly enjoyed its
hospitality, for he has left record
in the following lines that he was
acquainted with it:

Intent on signs, the prying eye,
The George & Vulture will descry,
Let none the outward view for-
get, No Vulture host inn-like here,
If too well used you deem ye them
Take your revenge and come again.

Various in those days were the fe-

sort of most of the prominent men of
the day, and were used in the same
manner by them as the clubs of the
present time, as a friendly meeting
place for business men, authors, ar-
tists, lawyers, doctors, actors, and the
fashionable persons of leisured ease
with no particular calling, all of
whom treated "mine host" as an
equal and not as a servant.

And so we find that men like Addi-
son and Steele were much in evidence
at these friendly gatherings of their
day; that Jonathan Swift and his cot-
eries foregathered in some cosy corner
to discuss the pros and cons of that
great fraud, the South Sea Bubble;
that Daniel Defoe was a constant
guest of the host of his time; that
John Wilkes and his fellow members
of "The Hell Fire Club" used the
house for their meetings, and many
others the recital of whose names
would resolve into a mere catalogue.

In 1666 the inn succumbed to the
Great Fire; but after the rebuilding,
its fame was re-established and has
never since waned. John Styrpe, the
ecclesiastical, historian, in his addi-
endum to Stow's "Survey of London,"
records that "Near Ball Alley was the
George Inn, since the fire rebuilt, with
very good houses and warehouses, be-
ing a large open yard, and called
George Yard, at the farther end of
which is the George & Vulture Taver-
n, which is a large house and having
great trade, and having a passage
into St. Michael's Alley."

This large yard referred to is now
filled with large buildings, but when
it existed it was used, like other inn
yards, by the travelling companies of
players for the enactment of their
mystery and morality plays referred
to in the previous article on the Belle
Sauvage. It was in the George &
Vulture, so it is recorded, that the
first Beefsteak Club was formed by
Richard Estcourt, the Drury Lane co-
median, a fashion which spread in all
directions. And so the history of the
George & Vulture could be traced,
and anecdotes relating to it set down
to fill many pages. But admitting
these antiquarian notes have their in-
terest for their own sake, we must
leave them in order that we may
glance at the Pickwickian traditions,
through which the tavern is known
to-day.

After Mr. Pickwick's fortunate in-
cident with Mrs. Bardell he continued
his travels with his friends, visiting
Ipswich during the tour. On his re-
turn to London, he had, perforce, to
abandon his lodgings in Goswell
Street and so transferred his abode
to very good old-fashioned and com-
fortable quarters, to wit, the "George
& Vulture Tavern & Hotel," George
Yard, Lombard Street, and forthwith
sent Sam to settle the little matters of
rent and suchlike trifles and to bring
back his little odds and ends from
Goswell Street. This done they shortly
left the tavern for Dingley Dell, where
they had a royal Christmas time. That
the tavern appealed to Mr. Pickwick
as ideal for the entertainment of
friends is incidentally revealed in the
record that after one of the merry
evenings at Mr. Wardle's he, on wak-
ing late next morning, had "a con-
fused recollection of having severally
and confidentially invited somewhere
about five and forty people to dine
with him at the George & Vulture the
very first time they came to London."

Just before they left Dingley Dell,
Bob Sawyer, "trusting his forefinger
between two of Mr. Pickwick's ribs
and thereby displaying his native
drollery and his knowledge of the
anatomy of the human frame at one
and the same time inquired, 'I say,
old boy, where do you hang out?'
Mr. Pickwick replied that he was at
present suspended at the George &
Vulture!"

Whether Mr. Pickwick had some
idea of finding other quarters when
he said he was "at present suspend-
ed" we do not know; at all events he
made the tavern his London resi-
dence until, at the end of his adven-
tures, he retired to Dulwich. Before,
however, he settled down there, many
incidents connected with his career
took place within the walls of his
favorite tavern. It was in his sitting-
room here that the subpoenas to Bar-
dell vs. Pickwick were served on his
three friends and Sam Weller on be-
half of the plaintiff. The Pickwick-
ians were seated round the fire after
a comfortable dinner when Mr. Jack-
son, the plaintiff's man, by his unex-
pected appearance, disturbed their
happy gathering. It was from the
George & Vulture they all drove to
the Guildhall on the day of the trial,
and it was in Mr. Pickwick's room in
the tavern that he vowed to Mr. Per-
ker he would never pay over a half-
penny of the damages.

The next morning the Pickwickians
again continued their travels. Bath
being their choice of place. Return-
ing after a week's absence, we are
told that Mr. Pickwick with Sam
"straightway returned to his old
quarters at the George & Vulture." Before
another week elapsed the fateful
and inevitable day came when

R. V. C. NOTES

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Found, in the Examination Room, a
Fountain Pen. Apply to the secretary.

Lost.

Lost, 3 Set Squares—2 celluloid and
1 metal. Finder please return to the
porter at R.V.C.

Found.

Found, Fountain Pen. Apply porter's
office.

Found.

Found, Enamelled Bar Pin. Apply
porter's office.

Mr. Pickwick was arrested and event-
ually conveyed to the Fleet prison. He
was in bed at the time, and so an-
noyed was Sam that he threatened to
pitch the officer of the law out of the
window into the yard below. Mr.
Pickwick's deliverance from prison
took him once again to the George &
Vulture, and to him came Arabella
Allan and Winkle, who stayed there
whilst Mr. Pickwick went off to Bir-
mingham to make peace with Nath-
aniel's father.

The last specific reference to the
George & Vulture is on the occasion
when the party left it to join Mr.
Wardle and other friends at dinner
at Osborne's Adelphi Hotel, another
Dickensian inn which in due course
will find a place in this series. So,
it will be seen, from the first men-
tion of the tavern about mid-way
through the book, until its closing
pages, the George & Vulture may be
said to have been Mr. Pickwick's head-
quarters in London.

Is it, therefore to be wondered at,
considering all the incidents and
events these few references recall,
that the whole atmosphere of the
George & Vulture positively reeks with
Pickwick?

Is it surprising that the various pro-
prietors of the inn have from time to
time cherished these associations, and
have reminded their customers en-
time time there of Mr. Pickwick's
connection with it by placing before
them plates with that immortal man's
portrait, in the act of addressing his
club, indelibly printed on it?

Is it to be wondered at that the
City Pickwick Club should hold its
meetings and dinners there, or that
the Dickens Fellowship should choose
it as the most appropriate spot for
the entertainment of their American
and colonial visitors, and occasionally
to have convivial gatherings of its
members there?

And will it surprise anyone if a uni-
versal agitation is set on foot to pre-
serve it from the axe and pick of the
builder which threatens it in the near
future?

There is one extraordinarily inter-
esting piece of history relative to the
George & Vulture and Pickwick with
which fittingly to close this account
of London's famous inn.

In 1837, the year that "The Pick-
wick Papers" were appearing in
monthly parts, a Circulating Book So-
ciety had its headquarters at the
George & Vulture. On the occasion
of the meeting held on March 30, 1837
—it was proposed that "The Pickwick
Papers" "now in course of publica-
tion, be taken in for circulation."

This motion was opposed by two
members "who considered the work
vulgar." The motion, however, was
carried with the amendment "that
the work, when complete, be obtained
and circulated as one volume." In
1838 this famous copy of the immortal
work was sold by auction amongst
the members, in what was probably
the very room Dickens had in mind
when describing the meetings of Mr.
Pickwick and his friends, and was
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